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Case Update

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Dear Mr. Ross:

I'm an attorney for Columbia University. I'm sorry to hear about the incident and your injuries and wish you the best in your recuperation. However, I want to clarify a few issues that I understand have been raised in your emails and other communications with a variety of offices.

With respect to your assertion that Columbia is responsible for "medical aid," we do not agree. Please consult your existing healthcare providers on what treatment is recommended and your insurance carrier as to what it covers. I believe there are resources on campus, including Health Services, that are available and could potentially make additional referrals to healthcare providers if and as needed. With respect to payment, your insurance carrier may cover certain treatment and/or you may bring a legal suit against Columbia (as you have referenced), but I cannot guide you on that and recommend you consult an attorney. As Ms. Wiltshire Clement wrote below, at this time Risk Management does not have documentation it could use to consider helping pay out-of-pocket expenses.

With respect to your request for investigation reports and related information, we have followed our ordinary process of documenting an incident. Any reports and/or video will be retained and copies are available subject to a subpoena or other lawful order.

There will be no further follow-up from my office or Risk Management at this time. I hope you can continue to use the supports that are being offered and the appropriate office contacts for specific needs.

Sincerely,

Peter Cymrot

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Columbia University

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